

Taimana, Taiatea, Tutehau, Maiana, and Robbie)—his sisters (Vaitinasa Salu Hunkin-Finau, Ed.D. and Mrs. Masinaatooa Magalei)—his brother, Mr. Albert Hunkin—and his adopted, or hanai sisters, Mrs. Diane Sauers and the late Mrs. Susie Osborn. His siblings, Mrs. Tuilua'ai Vanisi, Mrs. Arlene McBraun and Mr. Taulauniu Hunkin, as well as his parents, Mr. Eni Hunkin, Sr. and Mrs. Taulalai Manu Hunkin, preceded him.

Leone High Chief Senator Faiivae Iuli Alex Godinet of the American Samoa Legislature (Fono), who formerly served as Faleomavaega's Chief of Staff in American Samoa, and Dr. Lisa Williams, Faleomavaega's Chief of Staff in Washington, DC and his Staff Director for the House Foreign Affairs' Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment, joined with the family in preparing and issuing this statement so as to honor their great mentor who shaped their lives and careers in untold ways. They did so on behalf of the many other staff members who also faithfully served with Congressman Faleomavaega both in American Samoa and Washington, DC, including but not limited to Tavita Richmond, Vili Le'i and Leilani Pimentel.

Mr. and Mrs. Don and Linda Saaga, Major General Robert G. Lee, and many other individuals and organizations too numerous to name, have also paid tribute, including BYU-Hawaii. Noting that one of its most notable alumni has passed away, the university stated, "Eni's life embodies President David O. McKay's prophecy about BYU-Hawaii educating 'men and women whose influence will be felt for good toward the establishment of peace internationally.'"

Although Congressman Eni F.H. Faleomavaega has returned home to the God who made him and now rejoices with his many friends and loved ones on the other side of the veil, his influence remains with us. And so, we take comfort knowing that Jesus Christ is the Light of the world (John 8:12). He is the Promised Messiah. He is our Savior and our King. "He is risen" (Matthew 28:6). As Elder Joseph B. Wirthlin testified, "The Resurrection is not a fable." "On Sunday, the resurrected Lord burst the bonds of death." And because He lives, we will live again. We will meet again. Until then, Jesus Christ "will wipe away all tears from [our] eyes" (Revelation 7:17). Tell it out with joyful voice. All is well.

IN HONOR OF THE LIFE OF COLONEL BILL JENRETTE

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I ask for the House's attention today to recognize the life of Colonel Albert W. "Bill" Jenrette who passed away on February 27th.

Colonel Jenrette was born on November 6, 1937 in Conway, SC. He attended the Citadel, and upon graduation, he became a career Army officer.

While he was stationed in Germany for the first time, Colonel Jenrette married Ursula Klauer. Together they had two children, Jennifer and Kevin. Tragically, Kevin was killed in combat in Afghanistan in 2009.

Colonel Jenrette served two tours in Vietnam. After his second tour, he became the JROTC Senior Army Instructor at Lyman ward Military Academy in Camp Hill, Alabama.

Colonel Jenrette received the Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star.

After retiring from the Army, Colonel Jenrette returned to Lyman Ward Academy as Commandant of Cadets. In 2007, after a brief stint in the private sector, he returned to Lyman Ward as President. Upon his retirement as President, Colonel Jenrette became Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Chancellor of the Academy at Lyman Ward.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the life and achievements of Colonel Bill Jenrette.

RECOGNIZING INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY AND CELEBRATING THE IMPORTANCE AND IMPACT OF WOMEN ON AMERICAN SOCIETY AND ECONOMY

HON. PAUL TONKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the occasion of International Women's Day. You may also notice that I am wearing red, a symbol of solidarity with the A Day Without Women campaign. This is an important occasion for us to recognize the economic power and impact that women have in our economy and in our lives.

It is long past time that we as a nation provide for fairness in the workplace by ensuring equal pay for equal work, defend the right to choose, end violence against women, secure access to affordable childcare and healthcare for working families, and strengthen paid family leave.

I was proud to march with thousands of my constituents and millions of women all across the country during the Women's March. We showed that we are united and that together we will stand up for one another and speak out for anyone being trampled over, run through or pushed aside. Women are not objects to be owned, objectified or treated as second class citizens. Women's rights are human rights and human rights are women's rights.

The Women's March was an important moment to secure our rights to speak and be heard. Today, on International Women's Day, as many observe the Day Without a Woman Strike, remember that women's voices are the voices of our coworkers, our mothers, sisters, daughters, leaders, community members, consumers, and major economic players.

I stand with the many women today taking part in the Day Without a Woman strike, and the millions more in New York State and throughout the nation who share these values.

RECOGNIZING ROBERT STRINGER

HON. DOUG COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the dedication of Robert Stringer of Gainesville, Georgia. Mr. Stringer exemplifies the hardworking, persevering spirit of the people of Northeast Georgia.

Mr. Stringer retired from his job of 55 years at Oakwood-based Clipper Petroleum on his 80th birthday, February 22nd. He worked as a service technician and construction worker, and, through the years, Mr. Stringer helped maintain gas pumps and tanks at Clipper stores across Georgia and South Carolina.

During his long career, he also raised a beautiful family. Married at 27, he and his wife had two sons and one daughter. He is now a grandfather to six. In his family room at home, Mr. Stringer displays the plaques that he's earned throughout his career next to his many family photographs. His daughter, Betsy Ross, says she is "so proud and thankful that my dad was able to retire when he felt the time was right for him. He is a true inspiration to me and my brothers."

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize the diligence and dedication of our own Robert Stringer. He has set an example for Hall County and northeast Georgia with his hard work. I wish him a relaxing and restful retirement—he has earned it.

COMMEMORATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF WOODBURY, MINNESOTA

HON. BETTY MCCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

Ms. MCCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Woodbury, Minnesota. Located east of Saint Paul on the picturesque high ground between the Mississippi and St. Croix River Valleys, Woodbury has quickly grown from a small farming community to a bustling suburb of 68,000 residents. The city of Woodbury enters its 50th year as a thriving community for all ages, with excellent schools, vibrant businesses and beautiful neighborhoods, lakes and parks.

In the 1840s, settlers primarily from the eastern U.S. and Germany arrived to the area, then called Red Rock by the native Dakota. Settlers soon incorporated the area as a township and named it after former U.S. Senator, Secretary of the Navy and Treasury, and Supreme Court Justice, Levi Woodbury. Much of the wooded land was converted into farmland, and agriculture dominated the area over the course of the next century. As development pressures increased, in 1967 residents chose to incorporate as the city of Woodbury to retain local control over rapid development of the community.

Today, Woodbury is one of the fastest growing Minnesota communities and is currently the state's ninth largest city. Twenty-thousand new residents flocked to the city between 2000–2016 and many more are expected to arrive in the coming years, attracted by its tremendous amenities and easy access to free-ways and planned transit connections. Woodbury is home to a flourishing health and wellness industry, and has also drawn countless other businesses to the area, which benefits from one of the most highly educated workforces in the nation. It is no surprise that Woodbury is regularly rated one of the "Best Places to Live" in national rankings.